

a fuel-release valve being spring loaded so as to be urged into the closed position, said fuel release valve capable of movement along a second axis parallel to said first axis of said movement of said trigger,

a spring mechanism having a nonoperational position, an operational position, a first portion and a second portion, the first portion locks the trigger when the spring mechanism is in the nonoperational position, the second portion opens the fuel-release valve when the spring mechanism is in the operational position, the spring mechanism being urged into the nonoperational position, and

A' a safety button for moving the spring mechanism from the nonoperational position to the operational position.

19. (New) A lighter comprising:

a lighter housing,
a fuel tank, located within said lighter housing for holding fuel,

a piezoelectric unit for creating a spark,
a trigger, slidably mounted in the lighter housing for activating the piezoelectric unit, said trigger having a stopper tab,

a fuel-release valve being spring-loaded so as to be urged into the closed position,

a spring mechanism having a non-operational position, an operational position, a first portion and a second portion, said first portion locks said trigger by interfering with said stopper tab when said spring mechanism is in the non-operational position, said second portion opens said fuel-release valve when said spring mechanism is in said operational position, said spring mechanism being biased into said non-operational position, and

A1 a safety button for rotationally moving said spring mechanism from said non-operational position to said operational position by moving said first portion of the spring mechanism out of interference with said trigger to allow depression of said trigger and activation of said piezoelectric unit.
